

REMARKS

In accordance with the foregoing, claims 1, 2, 8, 9, 12, 15, 19, 20, 22, 26, 31, 44 and 45 have been amended. No new matter is being presented. Therefore, claims 1-3 and 6-45 are pending and reconsideration is respectfully requested.

THE TELEPHONE INTERVIEW OF DECEMBER 14, 2006:

Applicants wish to thank the Examiner for the courtesy of the interview held on December 14, 2006 at which the amendment of claims 1, 2, 8, 9, 12, 15, 19, 20, 22, 26, 31 and 44 was discussed. The applicants explained that the amendment of these claims appears to overcome the combination of the references since Sawada does not disclose an electronic device storing data in the built-in main memory and, when a storage capacity of the built-in main memory has been reached, in the detachable auxiliary memory and because Alberth does not cure this defect of Sawada.

The applicants also explained that the amendments of these claims are supported by the original disclosure in at least paragraph [0016] of the specification. Here, the specification makes clear that the memory unit 220 has a basic recording capacity due to the main memory 221 and a freely extendable recording capacity supplied by the auxiliary memory 222, which is installed as necessary.

In response, the Examiner indicated that the amendments appeared to overcome the rejections pending an official review.

REJECTIONS UNDER 35 U.S.C. §103:

Claims 1-3, 7-10, 14-15, 17-18, 20, 22-24, 31-34, 38-39 and 44 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Alberth, Jr. et al (U.S. Patent 6,021,332) in view of Sawada et al (U.S. Patent 6,810,274). Claims 16 and 40 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Alberth, Jr. et al (U.S. Patent 6,021,332) in view of Sawada et al (U.S. Patent 6,810,274) and further in view of Wang (U.S. Patent Publication 2003/0013506). Claims 6, 13 and 41-43 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Alberth, Jr. et al (U.S. Patent 6,021,332), in view of Sawada et al (U.S. Patent 6,810,274) and further in view of Miyahshita (U.S. Patent 6,244,894). Claim 12 is rejected under 35 U.S.C.

§103(a) as being unpatentable over Alberth, Jr. et al (U.S. Patent 6,021,332), in view of Sawada et al (U.S. Patent 6,810,274), in view of Austin et al (U.S. Patent 6,590,303) and further in view of Griffith et al (U.S. Patent 6,917,280). Claims 11, 25-30 and 35-37 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Alberth, Jr. et al (U.S. Patent 6,021,332), in view of Sawada et al (U.S. Patent 6,810,274) and further in view of Austin et al (U.S. Patent 6,590,303). Claims 19 and 21 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Wang (U.S. Publication 2003/0013506) in view of Sawada et al (U.S. Patent 6,810,274). However, these rejections are believed to be overcome as noted above.

REJECTIONS UNDER 35 U.S.C. §102:

Claim 45 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by Miyashita (U.S. Patent 6,244,894). This rejection is overcome.

Briefly, it is noted that claim 45 has been amended to recite that the fixed block and the slot are each positioned on a side of the battery opposite to a side adjacent to the body of the electronic device, into which the detachable auxiliary memory card is removably inserted. *See the position of the features identified by at least reference numerals 221, 221a and 222 in FIG. 2 for support.* As such, the repair work and the replacement referred to in paragraph [0016] of the specification are facilitated.

The reference to Miyashita, on the other hand, discloses that the IC card 30 is attached to the battery 20 at the first card mounting part 22, which is located on a surface of the battery 20 adjacent to the main body 10 of the cellular phone. Similarly, the PC card 40 is slid into the second card mounting part 23, which is located on the rear end of the battery. Thus, neither the IC card 30 nor the PC card 40 is attached to the battery 20 on the side of the battery 20 opposite to the side of the battery adjacent to the main body 10, as in the claimed invention.

Thus, claim 45 is believed to be patentably distinguished from the reference to Miyashita and that, therefore, the rejection of claim 45 is believed to be overcome.

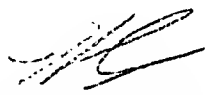
CONCLUSION:

There being no further outstanding objections or rejections, it is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. An early action to that effect is courteously solicited. If there are any formal matters remaining after this response, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned to attend to these matters. Finally, if there are any additional fees associated with filing of this Amendment, please charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 503333.

Respectfully submitted,

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